

What is claimed is:

1. A Karaoke system comprising:  
a video image capturing device for capturing a video  
5 image of a Karaoke performer;  
a Karaoke medium player for retrieving audio signals  
and an indicia image of a song from a Karaoke medium;  
means for downscaling and repositioning the indicia  
image;  
10 means for compositing the downscaled and  
repositioned indicia image with the image of the Karaoke  
performer to provide an output video image;  
a video monitor for displaying the composite output  
video image.
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2. A Karaoke system as in claim 1, wherein the  
indicia image contains words for the song.
3. A Karaoke system as in claim 1, wherein the  
20 means for compositing overlays the downscaled and  
repositioned indicia image on the image of the Karaoke  
performer.
4. A Karaoke system as in claim 1, wherein the  
25 means for compositing removes a background of the  
downscaled and repositioned indicia image before  
overlaying the downscaled and repositioned indicia image  
on the image of the Karaoke performer.







CD+G decoder, and wherein the subcode processor sends the modified subcode data to a microprocessor interface of the CD+G decoder.

5           18. A method of generating video images for Karaoke applications, comprising the steps of:

          capturing a video image of a Karaoke performer;  
          retrieving audio data and an indicia image  
          associated with a song being performed by the Karaoke  
10 performer;  
          downscaling and repositioning the indicia image;  
          compositing the downscaled and repositioned indicia  
          image with the image of the Karaoke performer to form an  
          output video image; and  
15           displaying the output video image on a video  
          monitor.

          19. A method as in claim 18, wherein the step of  
          compositing includes removing a background of the  
20 downscaled and repositioned indicia image.

          20. A method as in claim 18, wherein the step of  
          downscaling reduces a vertical height of the indicia  
          image by line dropping.

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